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from the

PRESIDENT'S DESK



I hope you all had a safe and wonder-ful Holiday Season. I thank our new Editor for doing a number one job on his first attempt in getting the Newsletter out on time.

Also to all the officers of the TEC as they are being very cooperative in trying to improve the TEC, as there is always room to do this if we all work toward this goal. Send in those articles as your editor needs them, also just a reminder that our dues for 1986 are due. Without them we have a harder time paying our bills. Oh, yes we have, and you members don't know what a great bargain you are getting by being a member of TEC for just \$5.00. Here are a few, you receive a membership elongated coin, plus a free coin in each newsletter you receive so this is 5 elongated coins per year plus you receive an elongated for each article you write for the Newsletter and these are numbered, limited issue,. You may place an ad in the Buy, Sell, Trade section each Newsletter free, plus you get to buy a limited issue Badge for the TEC=ANA meeting each year. All this is available for members only

Have any of you any good ideas? We would appreciate any new ideas from any members, after all this is your club. I want to thank Vance Fowler for giving us the Elongated coins for this issue, THANKS Vance. Keep in mind about our 1986 Badges so you can send the secretary your order for one when you send in your dues (save postage) that's the scotch in me. Let's all work together in getting new members. There are only two answers, yes or no. There is not another bargain anyplace for \$5.00. If you need application blanks, just write any of the Officers or ask the secretary when you send in your dues. God Bless You All.

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NOTICE!

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DEADLINE DATES FOR NEXT ISSUE

Deadline for articles and ads is March 15, 1986 Send at once if you can.

A LOOK AT THE BY-LAWS

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I was delighted to receive a copy of the Constitution and the TEC By-Laws and must admit that I was unaware they existed, which is a sad remark for a former TEC President to admit.

Close reading the material brought forth a few ideas which I hope TECites will read and comment upon. Section One, Article II indicates that regular and honorary members make up the organization. If so, I'd like to propose that Founder Dottie Dow and Sally Kirka be immediately given a lifetime honorary membership with all its privileges. Both have gone far beyond the "call" and TEC can only benefit by this recognition. We should also go "outside of TEC" when anyone merits accolades. This especially includes the numismatic press and honorary thanks should be extended to retired editor Margo Russell who has often given publicity to TEC.

Section six states "no member shall be permitted to resign from the Association (?) while he or she is indebted or while charges are pending against him-her." That is strangs wording... how do you keep someone from resigning if they want to quit?

Section 3, Article III indicates a biography must be forewarded of each candidate for office. (200 words or less). I think our last election had a lot less for some candidates... zero? An election committee shall consist of 3 to 5 non-candidates (NOW I wonder who was on the group?) This all sounds like a lot of nit-picking and I only have myself to blame for not paying closer attention to the rules...Did You?

The MEETING rules don't allow for someone like this individual who no longer can attend ANA conventions the opportunity to vote at the TEC business meetings via the mails.

I suppose I could continue to make a few suggestions concerning the Articles but I'd better quit while my "tripewriter" has a few words left in its memory. I'd also like to take this opportunity to wish the new president and officers, and the Newsletter Editor the very best. I am sure all members will be happy to give them full support and cooperation.

Fullfilling Constitution and By-Laws.

At the TEC meeting in Baltimore only two members were elected to the Board of Governors and the club is to have three according to Article III Section 1 According to Section 9 of Article III, A vacancy in any office may be filled by appointment by the Governing Board. As President of TEC I checked with Lee Martin and Tom Armstrong to see about an appointment to fill the Vacancy and was given their appproval to appoint Brad Ream to fill this position. Brad is a roller of Elongateds and has made coins for the past three coventions. He has several dies made with Fossils and was instrumental in getting Dottie Dow started in making Fossil dies. Brad met her in Texas a couple years ago at a national Rock show and she had seen one of Brads dies and started making some of her own. I have 6 different samples she has made that I got in Trade from Brad. Brad has traded several different with her and was back in Texas in October, 1985 where he met with her again. They went rock hunting together. I am pleased to appoint someone who is really interested in Elongated coins and feel he will be a benefit to the club.

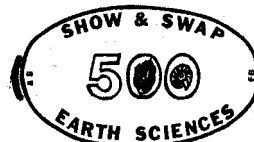
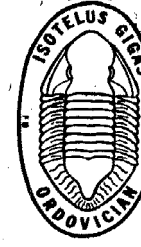
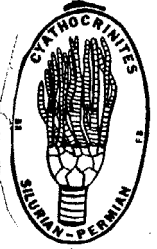
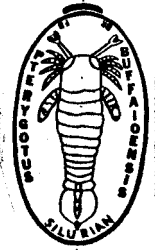
Chester Rogers

Fossils and Elongated Coins

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A few years ago I decided I wanted an Elongated Coin rolling machine. I had been interested in Elongated Coins since 1977 when Frank Brazzell got his first machine and I visited his coin shop and saw several of his different dies. As I have been interested in Rock Collecting also (Fossils to some people) I figured I could bring the two hobbies together by putting different fossils on elongated coins. I had Frank make my first fossil die called Fossils Forever. I must say it was not the best looking style of Fossil but I took several around to dealers at Rock Shows and sold them. One good thing did come from this as Dottie Dow happened to pick up one of these coins and decided to make some Fossil Elongated Coins herself.

I ran into Dottie at a convention out in Dallas, Tx and she told me she saw that first Fossil Elongated and did not think it was a good looking fossil so she decided to make one. I got to visit with her and enjoyed the trip that much more as again, I was able to put two hobbies together. She has made several Fossil dies now and we traded several sets of coins. I brought them back and traded some to Frank and Chet and sold some to other dealers at rock shows. Over the past few years I have been able to make a number of fossil dies and am showing some on them on this page with this story. Collecting Elongated Coins is fun and collecting Fossils is also fun but when you can combine the two you have double pleasure. When you get to go to shows and meet other people like Dottie Dow, who enjoys both hobbies then you have the best of both worlds. Bringing out a few elongated coins at rock shows and showing them to rock dealers sure help break the ice sometimes as people always like to look at money and stretched money with fossils on them is even more interesting to the people who are in the business. I have had a good time with my Fossil elongated coins and hope to make many more dies in the years to come. As for as I know Dottie and myself are the only ones to make them. Hope it catches on.



"AN OUT OF THIS WORLD INTERVIEW"

by

Roy S. Fowler, Sr.

"Good evening Ladies and Gentlemen. This is your host, Noe Ital, bringing you this evening's segment of your favorite program, Know Your World. Although, this evening's program could more appropriately be called, Know Your Universe, because tonight, our guest is none other than that world famous Comet, Halley. Please give a warm welcome to Halley's Comet."

"As most of you know, we invite only the most knowledgeable to be on our program. As we have many questions for this evening's guest we'll start by asking, 'how did you get the name Halley'?"

COMET - "A brilliant 17th century astronomer named Edmond Halley predicted I would come back on Christmas Day in 1758. He didn't live to see me, but because of his accurate prediction, his name was given me. I really don't mind because Mr. Halley was an exceptional man."

HOST - "You said, 'come back on Christmas Day'. What did you mean by that?"

COMET - " Oh, I come back to visit your section of the Galaxy about every 76 years. It takes that long to make a round trip. Even though I'm travelling about 34 miles a second when I go around your Sun I almost slow to a stop when I get to the other end. It's a big Galaxy you know."

HOST - "You mean you come back to this part of the Galaxy every 76 years?"

COMET - "Approximately. And I have been doing it for 10 to 20,000 years. Although my visits weren't recorded until about 240 B. C. according to Chinese Chronicles."

HOST - "Would you tell us a little about yourself, Mr. Comet?"

COMET - "Certainly, what would you like to know?"

HOST - "How about your tail. What is that?"

COMET - "I suppose I should begin by telling you what I am made of. I'm composed of chunks of ice with dust and gas clinging to me. I'm around 3 miles wide. As I approach the Sun the gas begins to boil and the pressure from the Sun, or Solarwind, pushes the gas away from me creating the tail."

Incidentally, the density of my tail is so small that 2,000 cubic miles of it contains no more material than one cubic inch of air at the surface of your earth. The light from my tail is from partially reflected sunlight and the luminous gases I emit. If you didn't already know, we comets are transparent. When I made my last visit in 1910 a team of your experts went to Hawaii to see me as I passed in front of the Sun. I hope they had a good time in Hawaii because they couldn't see me. Want to know more?"

HOST - "Please continue, this is fascinating."

COMET - "Something you should be able to see with your optical equipment is my coma. As the gas begins to boil, the coma that develops is 88,000 miles in diameter. This Hydrogen cloud is larger than the Sun and my tail is 50 million miles long. Something else that happens each time I make the trip is that the Sun boils away some of me. I lose about a million tons a day. Even so, I will be able to make hundreds of future visits. I understand from your experts that I can be seen for as long as 645 days. Your telescopes must be getting better. For the amateur astronomers, the best viewing date for this trip will be 11 April 1986, 2 months after I swing around the Sun. I will be only 39 million miles from Earth. Look for me just before dawn. The vision from the Northern Hemisphere won't be as good as it will be from the Southern, however."

HOST - "I must tell you that your visits have caused many odd and unusual things to happen. Mark Twain was born during one visit and died during your next one. Something he predicted, I might add. Also, many disasters have been attributed to your visits. Such as battles won, or lost, diseases and plagues that have no other explanations, and evils. In fact, it has been said that one Pope had you excommunicated in 1446 as an agent of the Devil."

COMET - "Doesn't surprise me. I just learned that many of you people make a profit from items sold relating to my visits. I even heard that someone was selling sugar pills that were supposed to protect people from my disease ridden tail. I want everyone to know... I'm not a bad guy."

HOST - "You definitely aren't and we are pleased to have had you on our program. Thank you for coming."

The End.

AN OUT OF THIS WORLD INTERVIEW"

Author's note;

Halley's Comet

The above is fictitious. The facts are not. We now have a beautiful elongated for sale. On 1985 uncirculated cents they are 3/\$2.00. On others, the regular price of 25¢ each plus SASE. Send to Roy S. Fowler, Sr. 4048 Penticton Circle NE. Salem, OR. 97305

Editors Note!

My thanks to Roy S. Fowler, Sr. for his fine article on Halley's Comet. This will be on the news and minds of people in the weeks ahead and I am sure many Elongated Coins will be made to commemorate this event. I have made 3 already myself and have one of Mr. Fowlers coins and must say it is a beautiful job of engraving. A nice coin to add to any collection.

My Visit To The A.N.A.

Gary E. Glise
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Hi fellow "T.E.C." members. I was very happy to make it to the T.E.C. meeting last August, even my wife enjoyed herself. Got to see a lot of old friends and meet some new ones. Sally asked me to say a few words about an elongated I have carried for years (10-12). It is an 1890 Silver Dollar that is rolled about 3 1/4 by 1 1/4. I picked it up down in Florida out of a dealers window for \$5.00. Well, thats kind of different, a silver dollar rolled out with nothing on it. (I bet a roller was just trying it out without a die.) To have a big old chunk of silver with nothing on it- I couldn't stand it, so I got out my little 3/32" letter die stamps and got thinking what to put on the coin. My name- Nah, Rochester, N.Y.- Nah, who cares! Maybe Lords Prayer,- I'm not that good at punching with steel stamps.

Ha, how about an Atheist's Prayer? This way I could leave most of the roll blank. (You know, K.I.S.S., keep-it-simple-Stupid) and it would be something different.

Well, a few members took a look at it and got a kick out of it at the meeting. To tell the Gods honest, I wish that when I was standing up in front of the membership, I wish that I had said one real big thing.- Please write a story for TEC news!

Sally and a few other members have done more than there share in trying to make "TEC news interesting over the years so isn't it about time you sent in a little story of: how you got started with elongated, where you found your most interesting one, what history you might know about a die or roll, did you ever have one made at a fair or festival?

How about it, can't we try to put back into, what we have gotten so much out of? Please write.

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WHAT DO YOU CALL THEM ?

Question...Are elongateds tokens, medals, coins or...? A fine book by the Krause organization, COINS, Questions & Answers, answers that query with the following" "... if a choice has to be made between coins and medals, they can only be regarded as commemorative medals in as much as the die impressions that made them coins has been all but obliterated by the elongating process." Price of this fine book is \$3.95 at your local coin shop, however that answer appears to be in error at least as for as this writter is concerned.

It is true that the side with the new image no longer looks like a coin BUT the other side, usually the obverse has a readily recognized Lincoln with full details remaining. Thus it is not an obliterated coin... at least not fully so. Are elongateds coins? You can't spend them at face value; but who would want to? Are the elongateds we love mere tokens? Webster says "TOKEN n., Something meant to represent an act, event or feeling." It overlooks the elongateds that are membership cards unless you call that an act. Also bypassed are the elongateds that encompass Presidential portraits, business cards and other situations not exactly described by the dictionary. Other tokens indicated include a coin like metal piece used in lieu of money as in bus fares. (Still not a real description of an elongated but it touches another base.) Now lets look at medals and see what Random House says in their concise edition. " A flat piece of metal issued to commemorate a person or event or given as a reward as for bravery." Also listed is "A similar piece of metal bearing a religious image as of a Saint."...Once again, close but no cigar. On the other hand, both tokens and medals seem to describe many elongateds and we know that they are made on coins so what is the most accurate description?

I prefer calling them ELONGATEDS...as a collectors item with unique aspects, universal appeal and educational qualities. No matter what you call "em, they are items with numismatic credits. What do you call them? I call them Perfect

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A FEW POPULAR ORDERS - PRAYING HANDS- LORDS PRAYER - SERENITY
PRAYER - 10 COMMANDMENTS - FLAG PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - O'CANADA

"Easy now!" The seasoned combat pilot teased his machine over a low row of hills barely above the scrubby treetops. The ground flashed under the belly of his ship. Its awesome shadow streaked over the landscape. The deafening roar of the four huge engines shook the earth with terrifying intensity. This was a TOP SECRET mission, a ground level attack. Only the crew of this flying fortress knew what was taking place.

"Target sighted," yelled the nose gunner! Straight ahead, rising menacingly from the ground, stood the objective. At this moment, it was the enemy. Nothing else mattered. The death and carnage of previous missions fell to subconscious levels. Sweating palms tensed at the controls. The flight crew knew that this surprise attack would not be expected. There would not be time for the many people in the surrounding fields to react. They would helplessly scramble for cover as the American plane came in with no advance warning at such a low level as to not be detectable to the primitive radar systems of the day.

Closer now, ever closer, the aircraft was in sight. The people screamed and gestured and began running. Too late! The great airship was over the target in an instant at full throttle. "Target destroyed! Pull up! Pull up!" The huge bird responded agonizingly slow but rose steadily against the grip of gravity and cleared the next row of hills. A roar of triumph rippled through the crew as they pressed their faces against the tiny windows to try to get a glimpse of what lay behind them.

"See, I told you it would work," yelled the co-pilot. This daring crew of a B-17 bomber had just succeeded in blowing over an outhouse in a farm field in Australia during World War II. Their only weapon was the prop blast of the engines at low altitude. This same crew also dropped "bombs" from 30,000 feet directly on target which consisted of watermelons they appropriated from the farm next to their base runway. One of the crew is still married to the woman he met in the local town where they flew down main street between the buildings looking in second story windows at terrified residents.

Such were the stories that were told from sunup to sundown at the recent 50th anniversary of the B-17 held at Boeing Field in Seattle. It was also a carefully planned reunion of B-17 crews from all over the world. Nearly 14,000 men showed up with families and friends. It was a warm affair with tears and comradeship from bygone days renewed. Tales of the good times shared during the worst of times came to light. It was a time for remembering. It was time to recall the men and machines that helped keep America free of oppression. Thousands could not be present. Many of them paid the supreme sacrifice in combat decades ago, but this was a time to laugh, joke, and enjoy the peace of our time. It had a carnival atmosphere with tours, activities, entertainment and speeches. Only when the daily flybys of vintage World War II bombers came up with their genuine fighter escorts did a semblance of reverence come over the crowd. It was a grand gathering.

I had the privilege of being there for a few minutes to feel of the spirit and the patriotism among these men that are now carrying mostly white hairs. I heard the stories. I was touched. I was proud to be in their midst. They gave a lot so I could raise my own family in freedom. And, of course, in the middle of it all, against a wall, in the Museum of Flight at Boeing Field stood one of my automatic elongating machines.

I had made up a special B-17 die for the event as I often do for such activities. It features a flying fortress in combat. Flak is exploding around the craft as its guns blaze away with tracer ammo. The bomb bay doors are open and the 500 pounders are whistling earthward. Little did I know what the response to the die and the machine would be!

Those B-17er's discovered the roller when the Museum opened its doors at 10:00 a.m. and began running it. A line formed at the machine that was 10 to 12 people deep almost constantly. When I arrived, the machine was hot from running without a moment between customers. It continued on that way the entire day.

These Cimex elongating machines are designed to run profitably at 10 to 20 operations per day. I have had some very unusual circumstances where the machines have run 400 times

in a day but nothing ever like what took place at the B-17 group convention. These machines are not like hand crankers. The customer operates the device. 50¢ must be placed into the machine and then a cent. Instructions must be followed, push chutes pressed, and curiosity satisfied. Each operation takes some time. When the museum closed at 5:00 p.m. that day the machine had set my all time record of over 700 operations. It was incredible and those B-17 elongateds are now spread out all over the world helping old bomb crews recall the delightful event. Thousands more continue to take them home as souvenirs. The device is still on duty up in Seattle. However, the actual men that made the B-17 Flying Fortress famous, also made the Cimenter elongating machine set a record that will stand in my books for months and possibly years to come. I personally operate 37 machines and none of the others have even come close to the activity of that day. The B-17 lives on!

Me, and Mr. Boston

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While in the hospital at Bluffton, In., I was talking to a fellow, who, like myself, was there for some tests. I had mentioned that I was a collector of Elongated Cents, to which, he had answered me, by saying a friend of his had several, and would sell them all for \$25.00, but that he had a couple he wanted \$10.00 apiece for. After talking for a while, and trying to find out what they might be, the fellow said one of the \$10.00 ones was a Boston Store. Right away the Decatur In. #1 came to my mind, but he was positive it wasn't from Decatur, In., altho he couldn't remember just where it was from. I then mentioned Omaha, Nb. #2 and after a moments study, he said, No, I don't believe it was from Nebraska, either! By this time my poor oldheart was beginning to thump, for we had had a Boston Store in Richmond, before downtown was levelled in the explosion of "68". See Ind- XXX #2. The explosion was on April 6th, 1968. I had never been able to pin-point anytime, or of Elongates being made for Richmond Store, so was shook up just thinking I may have stumbled on to a real rarity.

As I don't drive anymore (a little eye trouble) I took off, early, hitchhiking, the 60 miles to the address, I had been given. Got there about 4:30 pm, sameday and had no trouble finding the house, where I bought 7 elongated cents for \$25.00. The owner was honest enough to tell me he would have taken \$15.00 for the seven but the fellow in the hospital had called him and told him to hold out for \$25.00. He asked me what would I give for them? I said \$25.00. He said, "I'll take it". The deal was made in less time than it has taken me to tell you about it.

I wouldn't take \$25.00 for either one of the two he wanted \$10.00 for, so know I got a real bargain. One of the remaining 5 I don't have in my collection, and 5 of the 7 are listed in Martin Dow book.

I stayed all night in the small town, and came home the next day a very pleased young man, (77 years young.)

I intend to write another article later, letting you all know weather the Boston Elongated was a Omaha, Nb. #2 or a Decatur, In. #1, a Boston Tea Party, or what, so Me and Mr. Boston say, " See you later". Ha!

Will Morgan TEC # 183

P.S. Eat your heart out, Doug. Wm.

PS, PS, and you to Chet Wm.

SETTING A GUINNESS WORLD RECORD

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To promote the celebration of the 50th Anniversary of Hoover Dam, a Boulder City, Nevada business man, Kae Pohe decided to set a Guinness World Record for the longest line of coins laid end-to-end. The initial idea was 10 miles of pennies laid from Hoover Dam to Boulder City but for safety reasons coins were placed 4 wide halfway to the Dam and through part of Boulder City, for a total distance of 21,391 miles.

On the morning of September 21, 1985 more than 700 volunteers began laying 1,807,296 pennies. Four hours later all coins were in place, with the Disney characters, Mickey and Minnie Mouse laying the last pennies.

For photographic purposes, most of the coins were shiny 1985 pennies. I requested some pre-zinc pennies to be included for me to use in producing a limited edition of 6700 Guinness World Record Elongated Coins, as the new zinc pennies are unacceptable for producing a suitable collectable souvenir of this great event.

When the record was declared official, these copper cents were rushed to me in the City Park and I began rolling them as fast as I could, with my assistant, Terri Zarling, sticking them to a Certificate of Authenticity, stating that this penny was part of the new Guinness World Record for coins laying and a commemorative to the magnificence of the construction of Hoover Dam, fifty years ago. These Elongated Coins will be sold with the certificate of authenticity to raise money for the Boulder City Museum.

Congratulations to Kae and Liz Pohe and the hundreds of Volunteers that made this new record for coin laying a complete success.

The Guinness World Record Elongated Cent with Certificate of Authenticity (Limited Edition 6700) is available at \$2.00 ea. with SASE

Also available is a Hoover Dam Golden Anniversary Elongated cent, Type 1 and Type 2 at .50¢ ea. with SASE

For any of the above Elongated Cents write to The Penny Man.

PLEASE PAY YOUR DUES

The 1986 dues are now due. Please make your checks to TEC and mail to Secretary: Ray Dillard, P.O. Box 161, Fenton, Mi. 48430 All dues are still \$5.00 starting with Jan. 1, 1986 thru Dec., 1986

Support TEC and the TEC Newsletter. Send in an article for next issue. Pay your 1986 dues now so we can start on a new membership list. If you need TEC application blanks let your Secretary know when you send in your dues and he will send you some. Sign up a new member for 1986. Only \$5.00 dues for the year.

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New Elongated Cent: U.S. Constellation, Baltimore, Md. Good deep engraving of the ship with full sails. These are available from: Russ Sears, 9323 Waltham Woods Rd. Baltimore, Md. 21234 at 50¢ ea. plus SASE

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150 Elongated Cents, assorted issues, at \$24.50 postpaid and pre-paid. write: Doug Fairbanks, Sr. 5937 Beadle Drive, Jamesville, N.Y. 13078. Hope you all had a good holiday.

Willige's need many common Elongated cents. Will pay 10¢ ea for unlimited quantity, but no more than 10 of the same kind. Please package each type in separate envelopes when shipping. Do not just throw 100 or 200 or more loose in a box as I have to take time to separate them. Ship for fast payment to:

Willige's, Box 445, Wheatland, Ca. 95692

Several issues of Elongated Cents available from Tom Gerhardt. One is: East Side Cafe, Fremont, Ohio. one is Boulder Harley Davidson, Boulder, Co., another is Mount Rushmore 1985, and The Fort, Custer, S.D. and the Iron Horse Railroad, Custer, S.D. Also have Hoover Dam 50th Anniversary type 2, all these are available at 50¢ ea. plus SASE. Also have the limited issue Guinness World Record Elongated Cent at \$2.00 each. Send your order to: Tom Gerhardt, P.O. Box 135, Keystone, S.D. 57751

A new Elongated Cent is available from IKO-Tams. It is the IKO-Tams Logo Cent made by Lloyd Wagman. Lloyd designed the logo for the club using the Cardinal as the centerpiece as it is the state Bird for all three states. The IKO-Tams club was formed in 1978. The Elongated Cents are available for 50¢ for one or three for \$1.00 Send your order to : David Gossett P.O. Box 192, Dayton, Ohio 45449



New Elongated Cent: Fort McHenry, Baltimore, Md. This coin is available from Russ Sears, 9323 Waltham Woods Rd. Baltimore, Md. 21234 at .50¢ ea. plus SASE.



For Sale- A Hand operated Elongated Machine. It is Chrome Plated "Show" machine. Quick die change operation. Will include one complete die and two blanks for future use. Price \$5,000 with some terms. For information and picture write: Roy S. Fowler, Sr. 4048 Pentiction Circle NE. Salem, Or. 97305

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1986 Elongated Kewpie Coin, the "Cuddle Kewpie" for 1986 is now available. Cents sell for \$1.00, Clad Dimes \$1.50 and a few Silver Dimes \$5.00 ea. The Cuddle Kewpie is like a soft rag doll with a bonnet on. For the past 10 years we have issued a different Kewpie coin. We only have a very few of the 1984 issue (Kewpie in a German helmet) and a few 1985 cents and both dimes. Prices are the same for all issues. When ordering send SASE. Marie F. Trinny, 6468 Washington St. Space 64, Yountville, Ca. 94599

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Another new Elongated Cent showing The National Aquarium, Baltimore, Maryland. This Elongated coin is available from: Russ Sears, 9323 Waltham Woods Rd. Baltimore, Md. 21234 at .50¢ ea plus SASE



New, 1986 Calendar Coin rolled on "Quarter" Only 50 rolled and Numbered from 1 to 50. Special to TEC members only \$2.00 and SASE. Send to Frank Brazzell, 53 So. 20th. St., Terre Haute, In. 47803

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Fossil Elongated Cents have many different designs. Special to TEC members for JAN., Feb., March, -12 different for only \$5.00. Order now: Brad Ream, 1654 - 4th Ave., Terre Haute, In. 47807

It pays to be a TEC Member. Pay your 1986 Dues Now!
TEC Members Special, My 1985 Christmas Elongated Cent is Free to you for your SASE. This is a deep cut hand engraved die. Just write. Frank Brazzell, 53 So. 20th. St. Terre Haute, In. 47803 — FREE →

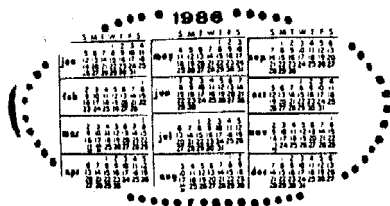


Wanted to buy: Elongated coins on STATUE OF LIBERTY, one or a dozen, old or new. Also wanted, other "Yesterdays" Elongateds. Will pay 15% above low level price as listed on page XXIV of Martin-Dow Book. I am preparing a new price list. These coins are needed for resale. Please write before forwarding your coins. : Raymond Dillard, P.O. Box 161, Fenton, Mich. 48430

This is the first Alaskan elongated rolled on an Alaskan token. To roll this token, it is placed in the rolling machine so that the token's cut out star appears between the moon and the tree line, and the map on the reverse is preserved. This particular piece is a beautiful marriage of token and elongated. Both the token collector and the elongated collector will cherish this piece for years, and it is destined to become one of the most talked about pieces in your collection. The price of this desirable collectible is only \$5.00, postpaid. Orders may be sent to Bert Samsa, 611 Cowles St. Fairbanks, Ak. 99701



TEC AUCTION #4		USING MARTIN & DOW CATALOG NUMBERS		CLOSES IN ONE WEEK	
1 CAL-PCIE	#1	14 CAL-OB	#4c	28 FLA SIL SPR	#1
ONLY HALF ROLLED		CENT SIL PLATED		CENT (H)	
2 CAL-POM	#2	15 CAL-OB	#5a	29 FLA SIL SPR	#1
CENT (H)		CENT 35S (2SH)		LARGE CENT	
3 CAL pom	#3a	16 CAL-OB	#5b	30 FDR	#6
CENT (H)		CENT		CENT GOLD PLATED	
4 CAL-PPIE	#1a	17 CAL-OB	#5c	31 FDR	#9
LIB NIK		CENT 37S		CENT 46S	
5 CAL-PPIE	#3a	19 CAL-GGIE	#7a	32 FDR	#10
CENT		CENT 29S		CENT	
6 CAL sac	#2	20 CAL-GGIE	#12a	33 FDR	#11
CENT 37S		CENT (H)		CENT	
7 CAL sb	#1	21 CAL-GGIE	#17	34 FDR	#12
CENT (H)		CENT 30S		CENT	
8 CAL-A.E.	#4	22 CAL-GGB	#7b	35 HAWAII	#1
CENT 28S		CENT 20		CENT (H)	
9 CAL-A.E.	#4a	23 CAL-SF	#1	36 HAWAII	#1a
CENT		CENT 27S		CENT (H)	
10 CAL-A.E.	#5	24 CAL-XXX	#2	37 HAWAII	#2
CENT 1925		CENT 44D		CENT	
11 CAL-OB	#3	25 CAL-XXX	#4	38 HAWAII-ALOHA STATE	
CENT (2H)		CENT		(PIC OF TREES AND	
12 CAL-OB	#4a	26 CANADA	#2	DIAMOND HEAD, CENT)	
CENT (28S)		CAN CENT 1888		39 XXX	#43
#3 CAL-OB	#4b	27 D.C. was	#1	CENT 26S	
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1986 Calendar Coin

Frank Brazzell
53 So. 20th. St.
Terre Haute, In 47803

I have been engraving elongated coins since 1981 and have enjoyed doing many unusual coins in the past five years. I have had my mind on doing a Calendar Coin for some time now but just haven't taken the time to do one. Many years ago Lloyd Wagaman did a beautiful Calendar Coin on a Half Dollarsize die so I figured if I did one it would also need to be an oversize die, "Quarter" size at least. I just got a nice desk calendar from my insurance man for 1986 and was looking at it and the thought came to me, this would be the right design for an Elongated Coin. I made a copy of the calendar and did some reducing and enlarging till I got it the size I figured I would need for the border. Even then I had to go thru some of the border to get it to fit. A little more work and the art work was finished so I took a couple pictures to make a negative and a positive to engrave the die. Was very pleased with the way it came out. Next was rolling a few coins. I found I had several aluminum state series tokens the size between a quarter and a half dollar so figured, why not use some of these. I picked out all the different states I could find and coated them with deft spray. Some states I had 3 or 4 and none for other states. Any way I finished with 60 tokens that I rolled. I plan to roll 50 "Quarters" and number them for a limited issue. Anyone wanting one of these Coins, if you are a member of TEC, just send \$2.00 and SASE to me and I will send you one of the coins. You can carry your calendar for the whole year in your pocket. Makes a nice conversation piece to.

DOUGLAS FAIRBANKS, SR.

Its been more than half a century since the name Douglas Fairbanks was familiar to me and that cinema star was everyone's hero. He was a pirate, a rouge (lovable) and the husband of Mary Pickford, Americas sweetheart at the time. But like all make believe supermen he passed into another world and his memory has become dim for the average golden age citizen and not-existent for the teen ager.

All the foregoing is merely an introduction to another Douglas Fairbanks, Sr. who is a radically different person than my hero of the twenties but nevertheless is a hero on a much happier scale. In the short time I have known him he has impressed me with his honesty, his diverse elongated material and his superb sales literature. Before I go any further I'd like to emphasize that this tribute is NOT motivated by his offering the book " Yesterdays Elongateds" at a bargain price. I had nothing to do with any purchase he may have made and certainly nothing to do with any sales. I have had numerous dealings with him as a dealer and can testify to his integrity. However the real motivation to this article is the sales catalog which he offers for substantially less than it cost him to print. (This does not include the many hours it must have taken to assemble the data.

One of the reasons everyone should own his catalog is the pricing guide which is accurate and up to date. More than 4000 coins are listed, all prices are probably based on actual sales or costs which is far more accurate than trying to price coins by asking rollers what they sold or bought for. All too often I received imaginary guides from those who wanted to make a coin in a higher or lower bracket. Being able to buy coins at honest prices from him is the major reason for owning the catalog. I don't know how many of the original listing remain in his stock but chances are you will find old issues and current ones at affordable prices.

The short article by Doug in the last newsletter indicated disenchantment with the hobby due to an apparent lack of interest in his publication. The problem is that so many elongateds are being offered that it distracts the average collector and reduces demand, but in this instance I can heartily recommend the pricing guide, especially for anyone who specializes in a subject. With more than 4000 coins to choose from, even the most specialized field must have a selection.

I would like to take this moment also to thank TEC members for electing me as their Board representative. I assure you, as long as my health holds out, I will do my best to help my hobby and all its adherents. I would also like to thank Sally Kirka for all the work she did over the years for TEC. She merits unanimous applause and a verbal pat on the back. Al and Sally's Newsletters had great warmth and now rank as collectors items.

Lee Martin

Hope you all had a nice "Holiday and Happy New Year!" Now its 1986 and time to send in your Dues for another year to TEC. Hope we can Count on you to be a member this year. Do it Now. Still only \$5.00.

A-67, as we Alaskans call the purchase centennial, was commemorated on elongateds by two rollers, Danny B. Crabb of Woodland Hills, California and Lloyd E. Wagaman of Camby, Ind.

Danny Crabb probably didn't have the specific goal of commemorating the purchase of Alaska in mind when he rolled his issue. Crabb rolled copies of Jim Bean decanters. I'm not sure how many different decanters Crabb incorporated on elongateds but one list I have numbers to #84. Luckily Jim Bean made two different Alaska related decanters that Crabb put on elongateds. The one that interests us in this issue of TEC News is his #60, Alaska Purchase. This elongated is described as: picture of decanter as the center piece, top right in two lines /Beam/Bottle/, bottom center in two lines /Alaska/Purchase/ most bottom center initials /DC/ with dotted border. Crabb is deceased so researching his issues is a bit more difficult than writing a letter. I know of no published listing of his issues or mintages which by no means is saying that they don't exist, I simply haven't found any. I do know that the Alaska Purchase Decanter was rolled on cents and silver dimes because I have both of these in my collection. I believe he rolled all decanter issues on cents and dimes, I don't know if he ever rolled on quarters or half dollars. I have no idea of mintages, if anyone has any information on this elongated or have any for sale, I would like to hear from you.

Conversely Lloyd E. Wagaman did set out to commemorate Alaskas' Purchase Centennial in 1967. The fruit of his effort is a well designed geometrically balanced elongated. Wagaman rolled this issue in his basement on December 24, 1966. Wagaman sold what he could to collectors and then sold the remainder to a jobber who in turn sold them wholesale to coin shops. These elongateds were not sold in Alaska as part of the exnumia offered at the A-67 celebration. Wagaman kept careful track of all his elongateds and wrote a book called, "The Elongated Coins Issued By Lloyd Wagaman". This book was issued in the spring of 1973 and is not copyrighted and any portion may be copied without permission, for the benefit of the hobby of collecting elongated coins. Credit should be given to the author for any portions used. The following is the description, and mintages, from the book for Wagemans' Alaska #2. "Map for centerpiece./1967/to left of map and /1967/ to the right. Around top edge in one line/CENTENNIAL OF THE PURCHASE/ Below map in two lines /OF/ALASKA/ Initials/LW/ at lower left. Dotted border. (36 mm). Mintages: 1¢ -2,223, 5¢ - 150, 10¢ -150, 25¢ -50, 50¢ - 50, \$1.00 - 0, other - 0, destroyed die - 2. Although 2,223 does seem like a large mintage, 18 years has taken its toll. For the past two years I've been actively searching and have managed to locate only 18 cents. All my cents are rolled on 1965 or 1967 coinage. I know there are probably more but finding them is proving to be quite a challenge. Of the 150 nickles I've located 8, of the 50 possible 5 piece denominational sets, (1¢,5¢,10¢,25¢,50¢, all of 1967 coinage) I have located two sets.

These Purchase Centennial Elongateds are the only ones I know exist. If anyone knows of others I'd like to hear from you about them.

More about Alaska related and Alaskan rolled elongateds to come in future issues.

1985 TEC Newsletter Articles and who wrote them. Listed below are the list of articles and the names of people who will receive an Award Coin for that article

January-February-March

#1 Worlds Fair "1984"	Written By	Mark Wright
#2 The Valentine That Nearly Broke My Heart		Sally Kirka
#3 Quartzsite: When You See It You Don't Believe It		Roy S. Fowler
#4 Rolling Just A Hobby		Chet Rogers
#5 A Mixture of Politics and Elongated Coins		Ray Dillard
#6 Green Slime		A.A. Rosato
#7 When You Get Strapped Use An Elongated Coin		Vance Fowler
#8 My Most Unique Coin		Doug Fairbanks

April-May June

#9 Fenton Michigam Sesquicentennial 1884-1984	Ray Dillard
#10 American Elongated Association	Chet Rogers
#11 Outstanding Elongated Half Dollar	Sally Kirka
#12 My First Place Award	Barbara Izzo
#13 Rollers and Piercers	Rich Bottles
#14 The Worlds Greatest Inventor	John Spadone
#15 San Antonio Mid-Winter Convention	Lonnie Cazin
#16 Articles for TEC News	Roy S. Fowler

July-August-September

#17 A Letter to the Editor	Sally Kirka
#18 Memorial Hall	Rich Bottles
#19 "Subjects"	Lee Martin
#20 My Largest Engraved Die Yet.	Sally Kirka
#21 Space Labs	Chet Rogers
#22 An Appeal to TEC Members	Doug Fairbanks
#23 A Tip Of The Hat TO The Roller	Lee Martin
#24 More About My Largest Engraving	Sally Kirka
#25 Meet The Man Of Elongated Coins	Gary E. Glise
#26 A Sticky Mess	Sally Kirka
#27 What A Nice Surprise Bert	Sally Kirka
#28 Creativity	Lee Martin
#29 The Barefoot Mailman	John Spadone



October-November-December

#30 Note Of Appreciation	Ginnie Aldridge
#31 What Is It?	Karen Morrison
#32 Where Are The Elongated Collectors?	Doug Fairbanks
#33 Who Said "Love Is Blind"	Roy S. Fowler
#34 Pennies Aren't Real Money	Frank Brazzell
#35 Surprise-Surprise	Roy S. Fowler
#36 B Y U #1	Roy S. Fowler
#37 Covered Bridge Cover	Frank Brazzell

This is a list of articles and the people that wrote them and each person will receive an Award Coin for each Article.

Why Don't You Write An Article For The Newsletter in 1986

MESSAGE FROM THE SECERTARY

I want to thank the members of T.E.C. for electing me Secretary, and want to assure you that I will serve each member and the organization as a whole to the best of my ability.

TEC is a good strong organization. We currently have 209 dues paying members. However, if it is to grow even stronger, we cannot rely on recruiting new members, we must strive to make our existing members eager to continue.

It bothers me that so many drop out each year just by not paying their dues. Now \$5.00 a year is really not that much, especially for a collector. It must be something that TEC is doing, or maybe it is something that is not being done.

Whatevey it is, I know that your current officers have a desire to please. Consequently, if you have suggestions to improve our club or our officers performance, let us hear from you. However, just bear in mind that we are only amateurs striving to act professional and perfection might be expecting a little too much. But, we will try. Ray Dillard (Secertary)

THE CHROME PLATED ELONGATED

I believe that this is the first time anyone Chrome plated on Elongateds. How this came about, was that a very good friend of mine had started a chrome plated shop right across the street from my home.

He Chrome plates auto trim parts which are mostly made from aluninum so I asked him if he would plate some Elongateds for me. He didn't want to take the time to do them but did do a few for me which came out very good. They don't plate every day as its only a part time plating operation and do it nights and on saturday. After spoiling a bunch of them because I wasn't cleaning them properly -- they did start coming out good. So, I go over there and help him so he will plate some for me and I set up the rack and tear it down, this way he doesn't have to do it. They are plated on a rack that holds 28 elongateds at a time as they cannot be plated like gold plating and cannot touch each other so are harder to plate. He won't plate to many at one time because the book says it could foul up his plating mixture and this is a 3 X 4 square and 4 ft. high tank and this is a lot of plating mixture to lose. This plating is good on the new pennies (zinc) as it will protect them because the zinc shows when we roll them and can cause rust to form very quickly when handled. Although they do not shine like a chrome on a car because of the copper and zinc in the penny. If you put a little lime on them or baking soda they will shine up. I have the following Chrome Plated Elongated Cents for sale at \$1.00 each plus SASE.

Arkansas Razorbacks, State of Arkansas Indians, - Also President Regan, Square & Compass, Elvis Presley, any of the Zodiac Series or Complete Zodiac series for only \$10.00 Also any of the 50 States are available. Write to Chet Rogers, P.O. Box 553, Leachville, Ark. 72438

We want to thank Vance Fowler for donating the Elongated Coin "Blue Heron" for this Newsletter.

We also want to thank Bob and Shirley Stafford for the 1985 Christmas Elongated Cent designed by School kids. T.E.C. Members are getting two Elongated Coins this issue, kind of a late Christmas present.

Remember, send in your 1986 Dues so you won't be left out next issue.

SUPER VALUE

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SPECIAL

THE WORLD'S SMALLEST AUCTION...One bidder will do!

A ONCE IN A LIFETIME SALE...YOU BE THE JUDGE OF WHAT THE PRICE SHOULD BE!

Once upon a time a price of \$6,000 was placed upon this package deal but times have changed. Now the selling price will be considerably lower.

The auction idea seems fair as it allows bidders to offer what they wish and allows me the chance to sell with a minimum of problems. Elongateds probably won't make the buyer rich but they offer a steady lifetime return and a lot of other benefits. (The people met via the mails are wonderful and the opportunity to make elongateds that will be here long after the "minter" has crossed the great divide is another asset.)

O.K...THIS IS THE ENTIRE PACKAGE.

. An elongating machine in first class shape with an electric motor that produces a roll about every ten seconds. The dies are half-rounds capable of holding three images. (Many of my dies have only two designs but the buyer can make three on each die.)

An old time elongated machine, very sturdy but hand operated. It includes a die with two 1943 designs. I have NOT sold any from the die but you can run the die on 1985 dated coins to prove they are reruns.

There are 75 different dies with 145 images on them. Nine blank dies ready to be utilized and some new artwork are all part of the deal.

A complete step-by-step guide to making dies via the photo etch process includes clear photos of each step or the buyer can visit and spend time with me if in the area. Knowing how to make dies is a major savings on the cost of the die.

Normally a die design costs at least \$40 so the inventory of dies immediately becomes a major asset. Also in the deal will be my complete mailing list which includes TEC members of course, but also many who answered ads in COINage and Coin World.

Please feel free to call me at (714) 845-8525 days or if no answer 845-4996 before 9 p.m. California Time. My mailing address is P.O. Box 667, Beaumont, Ca, 92223.

I WILL remain a collector in this field but will no longer be a roller. I'd like to thank all of you who have been friends and customers. Reason for selling is ill health (two heart attacks, etc.)

Lee Martin

"DESIGNER STUDENTS"
BY BOB STAFFORD
CALUMET CITY, ILL.



An elongated coin designed by an adult for adults. Well, usually. An elongated coin designed by an adult for children. Well, sometimes. An elongated coin designed by a child for children. Never. Never say never.

As a class project at the elementary school where I teach, we have had a "Design Contest" for the last three years. Purpose: devise a Christmas elongated coin to be used as an award medal for class activities. Also, the elongated coin is fashioned into a pin and given as a Christmas present to each child.

The kids are enthusiastic about the project. Several classes participate and we get hundreds of entries. The problem is choosing the best design. The design has to be kept simple, or when it is reduced to elongated size it will be cluttered or perhaps unrecognizable.

The rules for the contest were: (1) the design must say "Merry Christmas" and "1985"; (2) it must include a picture of Santa Claus. We got pictures of transformer Santas. Gobot Santas. Comic Santas. Fat Santas.

A skinny Santa took the day. The winning entrant was chosen from five finalists. The winner, Ryan McGinnis, is a fifth grade student at Diekman School, Dolton, Illinois. You will see that Ryan solved the design problem in a straight-forward way, meeting the rules of the contest, with no additions. This is not as simple as it seems. Many of the design entries were better artistically. But they were not as satisfactory at solving the design problem with the context of the contest rules.

The die work was done by Frank Brazzell. So, from the writer, Frank, and our students, you will find a 1985 Merry Christmas elongated coin in this issue of the TEC NEWS.

Send in an article for next issue of T.E.C. News. We need all articles by March 15th so we can get them in the April, May, June issue.

Also, remember, send in your 1986 Dues, only \$5.00. A Bargain.

Thanks to all the members who sent in articles for this issue.

Hope you all had a Happy Holiday and best wishes for the New Year. Happy 1986 to all.

